RE: For review and comment: Second Draft Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan Guidelines

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Good afternoon Laura,

We thank you for giving us the opportunity to comment on the Draft Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan Guidelines. Below are StanCOG's comments on the current Draft Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan Guidelines.

Page 12, Section 9.4. The Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan options listed in section 9.4 create requirements that add onto the Metropolitan Planning Organization's current requirements, such as the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategies, Congestion Management Process, or project specific Environmental Impact Report documents that may not have an entire corridor in mind, but rather a specific project area. This will require agencies to create a substantially larger plan, instead of just using the existing documents.

Additionally, some criteria for evaluating corridor plans will not apply to all types of projects submitted by agencies across California. Job creation and retention may not emphasize the congestion that a certain project would help alleviate. In order for projects to go through a fair evaluation process, there needs to be more flexibility on the types of measures used for each type of project; such as specific criteria for cycling and pedestrian facilities, HOV facilities, projects that improve the State Highway System, or other types of projects. Using the same criteria for all projects creates a disadvantage for those projects that do not include components for specific performance metrics due to the nature of the project.

Respectfully,

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